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Examiner Lu:

Attached for your review before the telephone conference tomorrow (11/03/04) at 4:00 p.m. EST, please find a copy of the Amendment which was filed with the USPTO on October 29, 2004.

We would like to focus our discussion on the amendment to claim 1, particularly the limitation of "wherein said probe biopolymers are deposited on said dots in said microarray."

We look forward to speaking with you tomorrow.

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In response to the Office Action dated July 29, 2004, please amend the abovereferenced application as follows:

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 16 of this paper.